

TURF MANAGEMENT CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

What is it?

This CDE builds your knowledge and skills in producing, marketing, utilizing and maintaining turf as well as related products, equipment and services. This event will stimulate a career interest, encourage proficiency development, and recognize excellence in students of turf management through the agricultural education curriculum.

Career Opportunities

Career Clusters

- Agricultural Forestry Production
- Management and Financial Specialties
- Marketing and Financial Specialties
- Science and Engineering
- Social Services
- Education and Communication

Career opportunities found in the career cluster areas:

- **Agricultural and Forestry Production** – greens keeper, landscaper, sod production specialist
- **Marketing and Financial Specialties** – landscape contractor, turf product sales
- **Science and Engineering** – plant taxonomist, turfgrass research technicians
- **Education and Communication** – landscape photographer, postsecondary educator

Educational Requirements

Associate Degree and/or industry training – landscaper, home lawn maintenance

Bachelor Degree – greens keeper, landscape contractor

Graduate Degree – plant ecologist, plant taxonomist, postsecondary educator

SAE Opportunities

Employment at a golf course working on the lawns, employment at a lawn care business, open own business in lawn care, employment at a sod/turf farm

Proficiency Award Areas

Turf Management
Agriculture Sales and/or Service
Diversified Horticulture

Curriculum Resources

- *Introduction to Horticulture*. 3rd Edition, 2000. Interstate Publishers, Inc. Danville, IL.
- *Introductory Horticulture*. 5th Edition, 1996. Delmar Publishers, Inc. Albany, NY.
- *Ornamental Horticulture: Science, Operations and Management*. 2nd Edition, 1994. Delmar Publishers Inc., Albany, NY.
- *Turfgrass Science and Management*. 3rd Edition, 2000. Delmar Publishers Inc., Albany NY.
- *Introduction to Landscaping Design, Construction, and Maintenance*. 2nd Edition, 1998. Interstate Publishers Inc. Danville, IL.
- *Controlling Lawn and Garden Insects*. 1987. Ortho Books. Chevron Chemical Company.
- CAERT Library Lessons – *Horticulture Library*